

7. *Who is the Organic Chemicals Group of the American Importers Association?*—The Organic Chemicals Group of the American Importers Association did not see fit to submit for the record a list of its member companies. However, we believe the record should reflect that its members are made up for the most part of U.S. subsidiaries of major foreign chemical producers. We believe it would be helpful that a list of the member companies of this group be submitted for the record in order that their true interests be reflected. It might go a long way toward explaining their testimony.

8. *Border Taxes and Export Rebates.*—The testimony in support of the "separate" package agreement completely disregards the border tax-export rebate issue. Even without considering the disadvantages to United States trade of the border tax-export rebate mechanism which have been pointed out by the President, the lack of reciprocity and adverse economic consequences of these chemical "deals" are obvious. When foreign border taxes and export rebates, and the increases therein, are taken into account, the result is disastrous.

(The following was received by the committee:)

OIL, CHEMICAL AND ATOMIC WORKERS INTERNATIONAL UNION,
Lock Haven, Pa., June 27, 1968.

HON. WILBUR D. MILLS,
Chairman, House Ways and Means Committee,
House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. MILLS: We, the Local 8-673 of the Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers International Union (AFL-CIO) representing 260 employees at the Lock Haven, Pennsylvania plant of American Aniline Products, Inc., agree with and endorse the contents of the statement of American Aniline Products, Inc., on behalf of the Ad Hoc Committee of U.S. Dyestuff Producers to be presented to your committee in public hearings on July 1, 1968 by Mr. J. J. Marshall, President of American Aniline Products, Inc.

Sincerely,

ARCHIE B. LEVI, *President.*
LYNN ROBINSON, *Vice President.*
FRED M. BRUNGARD, *Financial Secretary.*
KENNETH BYCE, *Secretary.*
CHARLES T. MITCHELL, *Chief Steward.*

The CHAIRMAN. Mr. Baird. Mr. Baird, if you will identify yourself for the record we will be glad to recognize you.

STATEMENT OF JOSEPH M. BAIRD, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD, BAIRD CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES

MR. BAIRD. Mr. Chairman, I am Joseph Baird, chairman of the board of Baird Chemical Industries, Inc., of New York City. My purpose in appearing before your committee in these hearings is to urge the House and the Congress (1) to reject all demands for legislation restricting imports, and (2) to enact the Administration's Trade Expansion Act extension bill, including the provision calling for cessation of the American selling price method of customs valuation with respect to benzenoid chemicals.

The CHAIRMAN. Mr. Baird, if you have to omit any parts of your statement to comply with our time situation do so with the knowledge that the entire statement plus the material appended will appear in the record.

MR. BAIRD. Yes, Mr. Chairman. My statement is just three pages.

The CHAIRMAN. All right. Go right ahead.

MR. BAIRD. I believe that consistently freer trade and vigorous adjustment to rising import competition and to expanding export opportunities are essential ingredients of sound economic growth, a